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NO TE ITI TANGATA

ATIU

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NUMERO 'UNO' !

Ite avatea Ruitoru ra 7 no Okotopa kua tae mai tetai taeake papaa raua ko tana vaine ki Enuamanu nei. Ko to raua ingoa koia ko Brent McGuire tane e McGuire vaine. Kua araveiia atu raua e te manitia ote Tavirianga Kaope o Atiu e J Manske e pera katoa ki tetai au tangata nunui ote enua Atiu. Ko to raua akakoroanga no te tainaanga i tetai kororomotu i rotou ia raua ko Manske e kia riro mai a Brent McGuire ei tangata oko atu ite kaope Atiu ki roto ia Nu Tireni.

taeake tei tae mai ki reira e kua tuoro atu a Manske i teia nga taeake. Kua akameitaki atu te tiemeni ote Konitara Teiotu Tangata Poto, Teata K Bob opita ote kaope no te Tipatimani Tanutanu, Moetaua Boaza CAO ia Brent ete vaine ko raua i ariki kia riro mai raua ei ona ei oko atu ite kaope Atiu ki roto ia Nu Tireni.

Kua akameitaki atu a Brent ite katoatoa no te reo pumaana ite tuoro anga mai ia raua. Kua rekareka katoa aia ite ariki anga mai a



Tutu: Dr Rotia Marakamu

Kaope Atiu - I teia epetoma i topa kua tainaia te kororomotu mua no te tuku atu ite kaope ki vao ake ite Kuki Airani.

Kia tae mai ratou ki te oire kua tapae atu ratou ki te kainga ote Kavamani te ngai e raveia ei te tainaanga. Kua raveia tetai pureanga poto ete Orometua Arioka. Kua akaaravei ia atu raua ki te au

Manske iaia ei oko atu ite kaope Atiu ki roto ia Nu Tireni. Kia oti tana araara kua rave ia te tainaanga ite kororomotu.

I reira kua rave mai a Ngatamariki Manu ite pure kaimanga e kua kaimanga te katoatoa.

Teia nei ao Etita

Na



Ina Teiotu.

Kia orana kotou katoatoa e oko nei ite Tianara Atiu i teia tuata. Te irinaki atu nei au e te mataora mai nei kotou ite tatouanga ete kiteanga i te au mea e tupu nei i runga i to tatou Ipukarea ko Enuamanu pera tetai au patireia i roto i to tatou pa mona Patipika.

Kua rongo tatou e kua kiritiia te mana ote



Dr Bavadra, te Prime Minister i topa ake nei.

Ariki Vaine Peritane i Viti ete akaaere ote vaeau Viti koia a Rabuka e pera te Kavamani Akatere ia Viti. Kua riro anake teia ki raro ake ite akatereanga ate vaeau Viti tei aratakia e Rabuka. Kua topiriia te au taokotaianga (union). Kua topa te puapinga ote tara Viti e rua taime ki raro. Te akatea nei te katiri Initia ki tetai au patireia ke. Te peea mai nei ta tau anau Kuki Airani i reira? Te irinaki atu nei te Etita e te meitaki ua mai ra to ratou oraanga. Kia irinaki katoa tatou e te kakana mai nei te mata ote au akaaere o to tatou patireia no te oraanga o ta tatou anau i reira.

Kua rongo katoa oki tatou e kua kiriti e rua Patireia Patipika i to ratou au pupu tarekareka auraka kia ano ki te Tarekareka

Patipika te ka raveia ki Noumea no te mananata e tupu mai nei i reira. Te irinaki nei tatou e te karo m matatio mai nei te au akaaere tarekareka c te Kuki Airani no te oraanga meitaki o te au anau tumutoa e ekateatea mamao nei no te ano ki reira.

Kua oki mai nei oki te akaaere o to tatou Patireia no te tainaanga i tetai akakaiaouanga moni e tai ngauru ma toru mirioni tara mei Varani. Te irinaki nei tatou e kia akapouia te reira ki runga ite au enua katoatoa o to tatou Patireia auraka ki runga ua ia Rarotonga.

Kua kite ainei koe e ate mataiti 1989 kare e apii pepa Nu Tireni (NZSC) e tau akaou ki ta tatou anau i te Kuki Airani nei? No te mea ka takoreia te tuanga tei karangaia e ko t e South Pacific Option, te tuanga e tarere nei ta tatou anau i teia au mataiti nei. Me kua inangaro tetai metua kia rauka rai i tana tamaiti te pepa Nu Tireni (NZSC) e mea tau kia apai aia i te reira tamaiti ki Nu Tireni apii ei ite mea e ka akamouia te apii o teia au tuanga nei ki runga i te oraanga o Nu Tireni.

E te au taeake te irinaki atu nei te Etita e kua mataora kotou ite tataui i ta tatou Tianara Atiu. Me e manako too, taau ka inangaro kia tukuia ki roto i ta tatou pepa auraka e matakui ite tata mai ki te Etita, Ina Teiotu, Tianara Atiu, Atiu.

Kia mataora e kia manuia.

Pikiniki

Kau Henry.

Ite apa no te ora va-
ru ite popongi Manakai
nei kua raveia atu te-
tai pikiniki na te au
mapu tei piri atu ki
te workshop. Kua kapi-
ti mai te au metua ti-
aki ote au taeake mei
te au enua mai i tai.

Kua akamata te ak-
akoroanga na roto ite
pure tei raveia mai e
te CDO Vainepoto Noo-
kura. Kua akatuangaia
e rua tuanga ote aka-
koroanga i teia ra nei.

Ko tetai toroka kua
apai atu te reira ite
au mapu ki te tutaka
ite marae i Vairakaia
e te ana i Anatakitaki.
Ko tetai toroka kua
apai atu i te au metua
ki Taungaroro.

Kua manea tikai te au
angaanga tei raveia.
Kua ano atu a Vainepo-
to raua ko Ngavaine H
Henry kupenga toto.
Kua rauka tikai ta raua
ika. Kia oki mai raua
kua ka takere te auri
tunutunu e Tangata ra-
ua ko Tu.

Te tunu nei raua ite
totiti pera te chops.
Kua mako te rave pakau
a Tu raua ko Tangata e
kua piri katoa mai te
au mama ite tauturu
ite tunutunu. Kua
kaimanga kapiti ua te
au tamariki, te au me-
tua ete Minita Teariki
Matenga ete CAO Moetaua
Boaza. Kua kai e kua
merengo.

Ite apa no te ora a
kua parara atu ra te
toroka o Vaine raua
ko Matapakia ite akaoki
atu ite katoatoa ki te
oire. Kua imene e kua
ura te katoatoa i runga
ite toroka e kua tae
uatu ki te taeanga ki
te oire.



Aka meitakianga

Ka inangaro au ite
akameitaki ite Etita
ete au tata nuti ote
Tianara Atiu no te
mea ko te nuti pepa
mua teia tei tataia
no te iti tangata i
roto ite reo Maori.

Ka inangaro katoa
au ite akameitaki
ia Dr Roger Malcolm
no tana aka tauturu
kia tere te ia ki
mua ma te maroiroi.

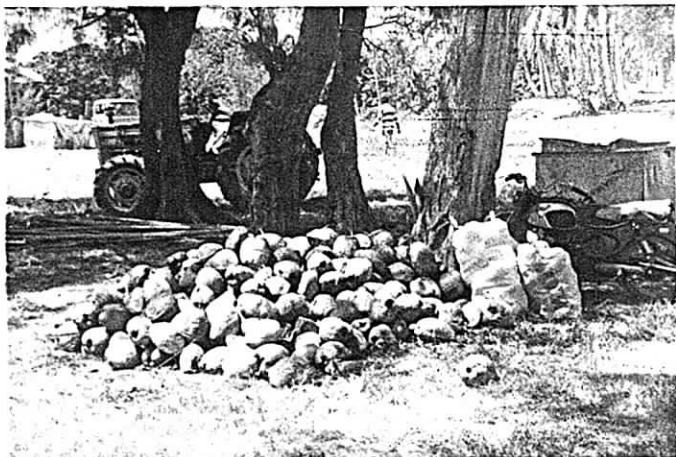
Kia manuia te
katoatoa rava.

T Kelly (Terai Manea)

Te ona ote Tianara
Atiu.

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everywhere



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Big fresh and husked nuts
(not uto)
.08c.each and .02c for
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Agriculture will receipt
and payment from P.O on receipt.

**Cook Island
Coconut Products**

Seminar

—Kau Henry.—

Kua atea atu te kati

Kua atea atu te Kata-
kita Tapuni Henry ete
vaine ki te enua Raro-
tonga no te seminar a
te au Katakita katoat-
oa ote Kuki Airani nei.

Okotai epetoma teia
seminar nei. Mei tei
akakiteia atu i roto
ite Tianara i teia epe-
toma i topa ka aru atu
te Katakita Kau Henry.
Kare aia e ano no tetai
manga manamanata riki
riki.

TIANARA

TIANARA ATIU -
Kua angaia e kua
neneia e TERA
MANEA i Atiu,
Cook Islands.

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"TIANARA ATIU" PO. ATIU.

Pamu vai

Kau Henry

Uatu rai e Papa Tariu
taau tutaka vai kua
kitenai mai iteia po-
pongi te manamanata o
te pamu vai i Tekapi.

Iaku i na reira mai
te manamanata nei te
aronga angaanga ote
vai o Atiu nei ite
angaanga ki runga ite
pamu vai. Kua kiritiia
mai te paipa e apai
ana ite vai ki runga:

Kua ngaae atu oki te
kiri. Kua taurua atu
tetai mea ou e i teia
taime kua meitaki aka-
ou. Maroiroi tikai te
au aronga angaanga
ote vai ite akameitaki
atu ite pamu vai.



Ko te au aronga maroi-
roi teia ite tiaki i
to tatou vai e pamua
mai nei.

Ite aiai Maanakai
kua apai atu te au
tangata Enuamanu ite au
kai kia akateateama-
maola atu ki roto ite
are pure. Kua apaiia
te ika, te au kai tuke
tuke ravarai.

Kua akamata te purea-
nga na roto ite mati
maianga te au tamariki
apii Tapati ki roto ite
are pure ite popongi
Tapati. Kua apai mai
ratou ita ratou au
pukei tiare,ete uri
rakau ma te imene.

Kia pou atu ratou ki
roto ite are pure kua
akameitaki atu te or-
ometua Arioka ite Atua
no teia au kii ote enua
te mareva ete moana.

Kia akamutu te pure
ite aiai kua tua ia
atu teia au manga nei
kite au Orometua, ki te
au matiroeroe ete au
ruaine te aronga maki
o runga ite enua.

Pure

Akaau

Ina Teiotu.

Kua riro te Tapati ra
20 no Tepetema e ko
tetai Tapati nui no te
akonoanga Kerititiano
o Enuamanu. Kua riro
te reira Tapati ei ra
pureanga akameitaki
ite Atua ko tei oronga
mai ite au rakau, te
au manu ote enua eto
te mareva ete au ika
ote moana ei kai na
te tangata kia ora ite
nooanga i teia nei ao.



TAOTE NIO

Kua tae mai ki Atiu nei
a Matangaro Maxwell to
tatou taote nio ou e
mono atu i to tatou
taeake a Papa Ta Vaine
Rere.

Ko Atiu nei oki te enua
mua a Matangaro i anga-
anga ei e taote nio i
vao ake ia Rarotonga.
Ka noo mai aia mei te ru-
a marama.

Ko Matangaro e pirianga
Atiu rai tona e te noo
nei aia ki ko ia Papa
Mariri Nio i Teenui.

Kua riro e ko Helen

Glassie raua ko Mrs
Moe Akai te nga tangata
mua ta Matangaro i karo-
karo atu.

Te rekareka nei a Mata-
ngaro no te mea kare aia
i ano mai ki Atiu nei noo
ua ei. Te akakite katoa
mai nei aia e kia aravei
atu iaia ka rekareka aia
ite tai tangata uatu te
ka aere mai ite kimi
tauturu.

Kia tauturu mai te Atua
ia koe e Matangaro e ta-
au angaanga.

Open to all

AML

AFTER WORK
WEEK-ENDS
TONIGHT



WELCOME

Arikianga na te sda

Kua riro atu te au
mata ote mapu tei ano
mai ki te workshop ate
mapu tei raveia ki Ati-
iu nei ei manuiri na
te Ekalesia Raitu (SDA)
o Atiu nei. Kua matao-
ra tikai te Orometua
Eliu Eliu raua ko tana
vaine pera katoa te au
mema i roto ite Ekale-
sia Raitu no te mea
kua ariki te au mata
ote workshop ate mapu
ite patiangia ate Ekale-
sia Raitu.



PAIRERE KA

John Akava.

Kua riro na Papa Moe
Akai i vaa araara mai
ite kainga manga ate
Raitu. Kua na roto atu
ia Pou Andrew raua ko
Tangata V Rere te aka-
meitakianga ate au ma-
pu katoatoa tei patia
ki te kainga manga.

Meitaki ranuinui ete
Ekalesia Raitu.

Kua ka atu ite ai te-
tai pairere e rere ra
na te mareva.

E manga nui tikai oki
te au patete turoto i
runga i teia paire re.
Kua manakoia e e pai-
rere Burma teia e rere
nei mei tetai tuanga
ote enua.

Tere atu ite varun-
gauru patete tana e
apai ra e mei te toru
ngauru ma rima ona
aronga angaanga. Kua
pou katoatoa teia au
tangata ite mate ite
kainga te pairere.

Kua timata oki te
rangatira ote pairere
ite au ravenga no te
akaora ite patete ina-
ra kare i manuia.

E au turoto oki teia
no teia nei ao e oki
ra ki to ratou au
enua. Kua riro tei
tupu ei aka tumatete-
nga ki te au enua ete
ngutuare no ratou teia
au taeake i takake atu.

John Akava

Sda



Mataora tikai te au mema ote Ekalesia Raitu (SDA) o Atiu ite arikianga ite au mapu ote workshop ki tetai kaingamanga.



Ko te au mama ete au mema Ekalesia Raitu o Atiu tei ariki ite au mapu ote workshop ki tetai kaingamanga.

Aue te akaroa

Te kite a mai nei i teia au ra tetai au tangata makokore i ta ratou manu mei te puakanio ete puaka.

Te aaere ua nei ite takinokino ite maniota, te tarua ete kumara a te aronga maroiroi ite tanu.

Tere atu ite kota eka maniota rengarenga tei takinokino ia. Kua kaingaia ete puaka. Mei te 4 tauatini ki te 5 tauatini pu maniota rengarenga ua kare i kairoia ki tetai maniota ke. Kua pou takiri ite kainga ete puaka.

Ko teia maniota kua teateamamaoia ite kir-

iti ia Titema e tu mai nei. Pera katoa tetai 478 pu tarua. Kare takiri okotai pu toe e tupu nei. Kua pou takiri ite puaka ate aronga makokore ite akono i ta ratou au manu mei te puaka, ete puakanio.

Ko tetai mea tumate - te nga roa atu ko tetai tangata metua ite tauaanga i tona ngutuare ite mea e kua pou tana kumara e tetai ngai i tana tarua ite kainga. No reira ete au tangata te patiaa atu nei kia akono kotou i ta kotou au manu.

John Akava.

TIANARA

TOPIRI^{te}workshop

Kau Henry

I te ra 9 o Okotopa nei kua topiriia atu te workshop ate au mapu. Mei te ora 6 ite aiai kua pou mai te katoatoa ki te Hall Ebenzera.

Kua imene mai te Band ate Tiare Araura i tetai imene no te aratiki mai anga ite Minita ngateitei koia te Taote Teariki Matenga ki roto ite Hall.

Kua akamata i reira te Orometua Arioka ite akakoroanga na roto i te pure. Kia oti kua tuoroia atu te au tangata katoatoa tei patiaa ete CDO koia a Vainepoto Nookura. Aru atu ia Vainepoto koia te tiemani ote Konitara ko Teiotu Tangata Poto. Kia oti aia i te araara kua araara atu Makirau Haurua ei mata no te mapu tei piri atu ana ki te workshop ate mapu. I muri iaia kua araara atu a Tangata V Rere ma te akameitaki aia ite katoatoa tei patiaa kia tae mai ki te workshop pera katoa te tapere Teenui tei rave mai ite pae ote kaimanga. Kua pati atu aia ite Minita Teariki Matenga kia tu mai ki runga no te oronga atu anga ite au pepa (certificate) ote au mapu tei piri ana ki te workshop.

Na te Minita i oronga atu ite tuanga mua e na te CAO Moetaua Boa-

za e te tuanga openga na te tiemani ote Konitara ko Teiotu T Poto.

Kua riro atu na te Minita Teariki Matenga i topiri atu ite workshop.

Mei reira kua neke atu te katoatoa ki te kaingamanga.

I te taopenga i te au angaanga katoatoa kua tupakiia atu ki te ura tei raveia ki roto ite Atiu Hall. Navenave tikai teia ura. Ura te katoatoa e atiati te tino.



Mataora tikai te au mapu ote workshop.... Ko tetai papaki teia ote au mapu ite ra openga ote workshop.



Ko Levu Toka, raua ko Pou Andrew tetai ote au mapu no te au enua mai ivao tei tae mai ki Atiu no te workshop ate au mapu.

Iti t a n g a ta

na Kura Malcolm



Katau: Lionel Brown, te ona ote are tamataora ou tei avari ua ake nei. Tau rai koe e Lionel kia katakata, akakite mai a Rotia e manea tika e te mataora te po avari.

Kau: Te akavanui Moe Boaza e te vaine Terai. Kua aere a Terai tutaka i teia nei ao te taangaanga nei a Moe i teia nga ra ite angaanga pakari i roto ite ngai tanutanu.



Runga: Ko te taime mua teia i rave ei te Gemi Services i te angaanga keita, koia ota ua koe e Ma, tunu mai a Gemi, apai mai ki tai iakoe. Kua akakite mai te manitia Geoff Pare te parani nei aia ite akanui i te reira tua i tana angaanga.

Kau: Ko tetai teia i te aronga tata nuti ote Tianara, ko John Akava e tona ngutuare tangata.



'IA ORANA

TERAI MANEA

TRADITIONAL CREATIVE ARTS
ATIU, THE COOK ISLANDS
(PROP. terupe kelly putiara)

terai manea





Runga: 5 epetoma toe kua raveia te tarere NZSC. Oki katoatoa te au tamariki pupu 5 ki te apii, noatu teia nga ra orote. Ko Nana Tsamoke teia te akateatea mamao nei iaia no teia tarere. Kia manuia kotou e tama ma e maine ma.

TIANARA

TE EPE TOMA

na Kura Malcolm



Ko Richard Chapman, te kumitiona ote aronga angaanga kavamani te akangaroi nei i ko ite TJ.



Ko tetai teia ite au taina ate Atiu Coffee Factory. Ko teia tei Vai Mokora.



Ko Neville e Tere Pearson e ta raua mokopuna vaine ite kainga i Rarotonga. E aka mataora tikai to Papa Mana.



Ko te taina teia ate Fibre Arts Studio i muri ia Chris Kautai e tona oa e aere nei raua ki raro i ta raua ngai tanu tanuanga.



Ko te akamataanga teia ite are ote Mema Paramani o Atiu, o Norman George e te vaine Tungane, te ka akatuia ki Titikaveka. Maroiroi e Norman!



Vanilla

KELLY: up to you



LEFT: French Polynesia's Minister of Agriculture, Georges Kelly.

FAR LEFT: Te Enui/Mapumai MP & Vanilla Chairman Mariri Paratainga.

Mariki, Deputy Island Council Chairman Mariri Nio and Fellow Councillor Tere Ponini were apparently unaware that the land belonged to the Incorporation. They signed the necessary papers and the site went through the Land Court process in September and was awarded to Ms. Kelly.

Upon checking, after reading the JOURNAL articles researched by our staff, she discovered that her site did appear to be part of the 10 blocks incorporated by the High Court in 1984 and hence the family had no right to award housing sites as the land did not belong to them any more but to the Vanilla Corporation (and eventually through lease presumably) for 35 years!



Tahitian Ministry of Agriculture Technical Adviser advises on technical aspects of Vanilla production during Minister Kelly's last visit.

"No," said the family, "the land is ours and the High Court has given it to you."

A confused Ms. Kelly travelled to Rarotonga to see MP Norman George who had left a standing offer to assist the family on legal affairs.

Mr. George could not be contacted, so Ms Kelly went to see Mrs. Tina Browne, lawyer for her family (and, ironically, Charles Lehartel).

Mrs. Browne assured Ms. Kelly that the land was hers as awarded by the High Court.

A happy Ms Kelly returned to Atiu.

A puzzled JOURNAL returned to Mrs. Browne the following week to get its apparent misunderstanding sorted out.

The details were spelled out to Mrs. Browne who noted that she had not completely seen Ms. Kelly's problem but now agreed with the JOURNAL that the land indeed did belong to the Vanilla Incorporation and that the High Court had been in error.

Ms. Kelly has now been advised to seek six or seven signatures to a letter from the Vanilla Committee to the High Court asking them to exclude her site from the Incorporated land. The signatures include some who had on several occasions told her that the land was not incorporated at all!

But....maybe she can now get the necessary letter and start to build on the land inherited from her mother and grandfather.

(Remember! It is the GRANDCHILDREN, the Vanilla Project is supposed to be setting up!)

Aha....her JOURNAL advice (correct, last time) offers a warning.

The committee she is now required to approach (even if, after all the fuss THEY have created, are willing to sign) do not appear to us to have legal standing. Their term was limited by the High Court to two years. They ceased to function in 1986. They have not held an AGM, nor presented minutes, nor appointed an auditor, nor gone through any of the formalities the Cook Islands Registrar of Societies requires them to do. She needs either to prevent them attempting to sign the land over to Ledarco Inc. by injunction or to seek further legal advice as to whether an apparently "non-legal" committee can effect a "legal" house site alteration to the Incorporation.

She states that she has so far spent nearly \$1500 on the problems associated with the house site and can afford no more costs.

She and her family are currently considering

As stated in the JOURNAL (No. 14), a reply would be sought to allegations made against M. Georges Kelly, Minister of Agriculture in the Government of French Polynesia and brother of JOURNAL owner, Terupe Kelly.

The late September visit of Tahitian entrepreneur Charles Lehartel, publicised by CI News as a visit to meet landowners of the current experimental plot in Atiu for the multi-million dollar Vanilla Project, resulted in a stop-over flight by M. Lehartel during which he addressed a mass meeting of landowners involved in the Project.

Following the meeting, reports were made to the JOURNAL that members of a three-man team to Tahiti in September (MP Mariri Paratainga, Island Councillor Tere Ponini and Agriculture Officer Upoko Simpson) had not received good hospitality or help from the Tahitian Government during their visit.

It was further reported that M. Lehartel had alleged that he was not involving the Tahitian Government any more in the Project.

The general content of the reports was confirmed to us after checking with a very high source.

On his recent visit to Rarotonga as part of the Flosse delegation, M. Kelly replied to alleged criticism of him and his Ministry made in his absence in Atiu.

"My Ministry was unaware of the Mariri Paratainga party visit until the last moment," M. Kelly told our representative.

"They were met at the airport and taken to the home of M. Thomas Estall, the Ministry of Agriculture's Vanilla Officer. His is a fine house. It was considered useful for the party to stay with Mr. Estall to arrange their programme."

"Meanwhile the Ministry arranged to pick up Mr. Paratainga and place him in a hotel as is normal with our hospitality to visiting dignitaries and is well known."

"When the Ministry car went to pick up Mr. Paratainga, it was reported that the whole party had been taken off by M. Lehartel who, it was said, had taken charge of them."

"From that time, apparently with M. Lehartel and their concurrence, they were looked after by him."

M. Kelly reacted to reports that M. Lehartel had dropped the Tahitian Government from his Project by saying, "if that is his wish, he may have to look elsewhere for his vanilla plants and may be held accountable to Government for the cost of materials to date and the experts who have been used from my Ministry."

An indication of the extent of the confusion existing in many areas of the Vanilla Project logistics and its legal standing to date was experienced by JOURNAL owner Ms. Terupe Kelly.

Earlier this year, Ms Kelly's kopu tangata meeting awarded her a half acre housing site a mere 20m. from the Vanilla Experimentation plot.

The kopu tangata, which includes Vanilla Corporation Secretary Ngata-

the only alternative - leave Atiu and the land which her grandfather told her (to quote the CI News quote from Mariri Paratainga) "can never be taken away from you."

JOURNAL COMMENT:

Ms Kelly's involved and confusing problem is one of several we have been approached with by "little people".

Most involve:

1. The meaning of Incorporation.
2. Whether they can take their land back any time they want to.
3. Protection for house sites and access.
4. The latest lease terms.

We have dealt with Ms. Kelly's in detail as an example. We could have dealt with others we have received but hers is the easiest verifiable and, under no stretch of the imagination can she be accused as others, just as legitimate we believe, have been of "trouble-making" "non-Atianness" or "playing politics".

There IS confusion. Our sources often state that it is being caused by Mr. Paratainga. Having spoken to Mr. Paratainga, we believe there is no sinister motivation behind any of the MP's actions. He believes that after six years of prevarication, someone has to "crack the whip" a bit and get things moving "for the good of all the people."

He has a majority support, we sense, for this view.

Unfortunately, we believe the minority have the right to both be in the Project AND to have their land treated in the only proper Atiu Way - by the legal process. Atiu is not Mangaia and the Societies Act and the Land Court ARE the Atiu Way and the only ultimate protection for the unborn 35 years from now. As Ms Kelly has found out, HER grandfather may have thought he was leaving something for his grandchildren. In fact, he AND the paternal one in Rarotonga did a thoroughly ill-advised job on his grandchildren's land. From, -in both cases, being major landholders, their family is left after two generations with virtually nothing.

In search of a positive solution to the Vanilla confusion, some have suggested that Mrs. Browne, a highly respected Maori lawyer act for both sides and set the whole thing up (procedures, conduct of the committee, leases etc in Maori)

As a further gesture of support from this paper, we shall be publishing next week, the first of a series by regional and world authorities on the operation of developing nation co-operatives and incorporations.

Take it or leave it. We've had enough of Vanilla and, until fresh news in the Public interest, are closing the issue (barring letters etc).

Two points to end with:

Legal advice we have taken states that the new lease contract is standard and can safely be signed if the money involved is felt satisfactory.....BUT

If there is a new party ("foreign partner") to the lease as rumpured he/she/it must be identified and the person's credentials

approved by the landowner's as a whole and the Government/Monetary Board etc.

Secondly, to clarify M. Kelly's position. He states that his involvement is, as stated in an earlier issue of the JOURNAL, to help the Atiu people grow vanilla... themselves. If they wish to, his Ministry is prepared to help them become Vanilla planters. If, however, they wish to become land leasers, that is up to them.

M. Kelly's offer, dating from 1985, has one flaw..

In 1983, the CIs. government signed a Heads of Agreement with Mr. Lehartel giving him sole right to export vanilla for a period which will expire long after the current planters are dead!

A feature of the 1980 's has, of course, been that, whatever lip-service is paid to our Agriculture, the development policies of all major political groupings mean that it is more profitable to lease land to foreigners than to work it locally.

They could be right.

What to Listen For



An informative and popular Scientific team which left Atiu last week was the David Steadman (above) group from the USA.

Among the useful local spin-offs from the team was an active interest created our schoolchildren.

Following talks at the College, a far greater understanding among young students was created regarding the superb inheritance of native birds.

What to watch out for and what to listen for when attempting to identify birds was a common question asked.

Several children now have developed keener ears as they attempt to pick out the different birds.

Said one student, "It helps to pass the time on the way to and from the plantation!"

The team's work was watched with interest by our Science Correspondent Dr. Roger Malcolm who has prepared for next week's issue a summary of what work was accomplished and what results were obtained.

I KNOW-TERE

Planter and Island Councillor Tere Ponini, one of the party of three Atiuan agriculturalists who recently visited Tahiti for Vanilla instruction, spoke to the JOURNAL last week about his experiences and alleged poor hospitality.

"I know the full story," he said, "because, of course, I was there."

Tere's story of the trip matched in major details the account given us by Georges Kelly (above).

However, the local planter, who was accompanied by Atiu Agriculture Officer Upoko Simpson and MP Mariri Paratainga, said that the accommodation offered him at the Tahitian Vanilla site was not, in his view, very satisfactory

He added that he had enjoyed himself and had learned a lot which will be of value



Tere Ponini...

Replying to the JOURNAL about his Tahiti trip.

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